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(b) how many of them were completed; and

(c) how many houses are proposed under the Third Plan and how many sanctioned for 1961-62?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (a) 180 houses.

(b) 81 houses have been completed.

(c) No scheme for construction of houses for the fishermen has been included under the Third Five-Year Plan. The number of houses to be constructed during the period will depend upon the availability of resources for this purpose. Sixty houses have been sanctioned for construction during 1961-62.

* 2434 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) the location of various housing colonies for fishermen and the names of various housing schemes for fishermen and the names of centres where they are in operation; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to provide houses and house-sites for fishermen in the Cape Comorin and Kovalam?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : (a) A statement^a is placed on the table of the House.

10-00 a.m. (b) Ten houses have been proposed for construction under the Fisheries Housing Scheme in Kovalam. There is no proposal now for construction of houses for fishermen at Cape Comorin.

SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN : கடந்த இரண்டு ஆண்டுகளுக்கு முன்பு மீனவர்களுக்காக அனுமதிக்கப்பட்ட வீடு கட்டும் வேலை இன்னும் நடைபெறாமல் இருப்பதற்குக் காரணம் என்ன?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : இந்த வீடுகள் கட்டும் நிலத்தை அவர்களுக்குச் சொந்தமாகக் கொடுக்க வேண்டியிருப்பதனால் இந்தக் காலதாமதம் ஏற்பட்டிருக்கிறது.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : இந்தக் காட்டுப் பள்ளி மீனவர் காலனியில் 250 வீடுகள் ஒதுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன. எத்தனை வீடுகளில் அவர்கள் வந்து குடியேறியிருக்கிறார்கள் என்று சொல்ல முடியுமா?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : ரூரல் ஹவுஸிங்ஸ் ஸ்கீம்படி கட்டப்பட்டு வருகிற இந்த வீடுகளில் இதுவரையில் யாரும் வந்து குடியேறியிருப்பதாக என்னிடத்தில் தகவல் இல்லை.

Moniam tax

* 2435 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) the nature and details of correspondence with the Kerala Government regarding the abolition of Moniam tax in the Kanyakumari district; and

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(b) the difficulties in the way of its abolition ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) & (b) Regarding Sripandaravagai lands, the Kerala Government were addressed on the tentative proposals of this Government, which it will not be in the public interest to reveal. As the Kerala Government did not reply, the matter was taken up direct with the authorities of Sri Padmanabhaswami temple at Trivandrum and is still under consideration. The question of abolition of Thiruppuvaram is also still under the consideration of the Government.

Pharmacy Mazdoors

DEPUTY SPEAKER : Question No. 2436.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Sir, Question No. 2435 is a very important question and some time may be allowed for putting supplementary questions.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : There is no time.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Sir, I have been putting questions regarding this matter for the last five years and to-day is the last day.

DEPUTY SPEAKER : All right, the hon. Member may put the supplementary question.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Sir, for the last five years this matter is under the consideration of the Government and may I know when exactly it will be implemented. In fact a Bill was prepared and presented to the T.C. Assembly. May I also know whether the Government will prepare a Bill on those lines?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : As I have stated, this is rather a very intricate question and we have to study the various implications of it. In fact I wanted to go and live there and study it along with the Collector and other authorities who know about it. But now time has passed out. Anyway the matter is under consideration.

* 2436 Q.—SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the workers (Pharmacy Mazdoors) in the Indian Medicine, Kilpauk, Madras, are getting the new scales of pay and allowances; if so, from what date; and

(b) whether they have been confirmed?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (a) & (b) The Pharmacy Mazdoors are borne on contingencies and hence they are not getting any scale of pay or allowances and are not part of the regular establishment. The question of their confirmation does not therefore arise.